



**WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
FINAL DETERMINATION OF
NON-SIGNIFICANCE
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State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Name of Proposal: POTT DIVERSION BARRIER REMOVAL – FISH PASSAGE PROJECT
ON CURRIER CREEK

Description of Proposal: Agricultural fields surround the Pott diversion. The water right associated with this diversion has been sold, so the land it previously served is fallow and will remain so as stated in terms of the sales agreement. The field directly west of the diversion is still in timothy hay production and irrigated from a diversion downstream. The Pott diversion consists of two 8-foot corrugated metal culverts parallel with Currier Creek. The culverts are held in the creek with riprap, fill, sheet metal, and timber reinforcements. At low flows, the sheet flow through the culverts prevents juvenile and adult fish passage

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Kittitas County, on the outskirts of Ellensburg, WA. The structure is located approximately 0.5 miles upstream from the confluence of Currier Creek into Reecer Creek. The project is about 100 feet downstream from the Highway 10 crossing of Currier Creek and the Burlington Northern Railroad Crossing, Washington, Kittitas County; 1/4 of Section 34NW, Township 18 North, Range 18 EastWM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date of issue below. Comments must be submitted by: **December 26, 2006**

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DATE OF ISSUE: December 12, 2006 **SIGNATURE:** 

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